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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, OUTPUT APPARATUS, IMAGE  
PROCESSING SYSTEM AND IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD

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Sir:

In reply to the January 23, 2003 Office Action, and the interview conducted with Examiner Singh and Primary Examiner Field on March 11, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 12 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claims 1 and 13-16 as follows:

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1. (Three Times Amended) An image processing apparatus, comprising:  
reconstructing means for reconstructing print data for instructing contents of objects positioned in one page in band units that are obtained by dividing the page into a plurality of regions;  
converting means for converting the data reconstructed by said reconstructing means into page description language data that is in a page description language form; and